

North Bethany City Reservoir

About This Area

This 73-acre lake was constructed in 1960 as a supplemental water supply for the City of Bethany. Visitors to the area are greeted by a large boulder, which was unearthed during the construction and placed on the lake's southeast side. The boulder is a project "monument," and each year it is decorated by the local senior class. The lake, surrounded by 71 acres of open timber, provides the ideal location for fishing, camping and picnicking.

Since the lake was enrolled in the Community Assistance Program, the Missouri Conservation Department has added parking lots, a concrete boat ramp and disabled user accessible privies.

This lake provides fishing opportunities for largemouth bass, channel catfish, bluegill and crappie. Anglers are encouraged to remove bass less than 12 inches from the lake. This allows the remaining bass to grow to a larger size. Channel catfish are stocked periodically.

North Bethany Reservoir is a good example of a water supply lake providing recreational opportunities for the community.

Things to Do

- Fishing, Frogging, Bowfishing
- Hunting
- Trapping
- Hiking
- Picknicking
- Outdoor Photography
- Nature Study and Birdwatching

Rules and Regulations

Fishing

Species	Daily Limit	Length Limit
Black bass	6	12-15" protected
Channel catfish	4	None
Crappie	30	None
All other fish combined	20	None

- Only pole and line fishing (3 per person).
- Bowfishing allowed for carp year round.
- Bullfrogs and green frogs may be taken during the statewide season by hand, handnet, atatl, gig, bow, snagging, snaring, grabbing, or pole and line.
- No swimming.
- Vehicles on roadways and parking areas only.
- Outboard motors in excess of 10 horsepower must be operated at slow no-wake speed.

The Community Assistance Program sponsored by the Missouri Conservation Department provides fisheries management and assistance to local communities for developing or upgrading facilities. In return, local communities maintain the area and facilities and open their lakes to the public. This program provides fishing and improved facilities at lakes close to home. Everyone benefits.

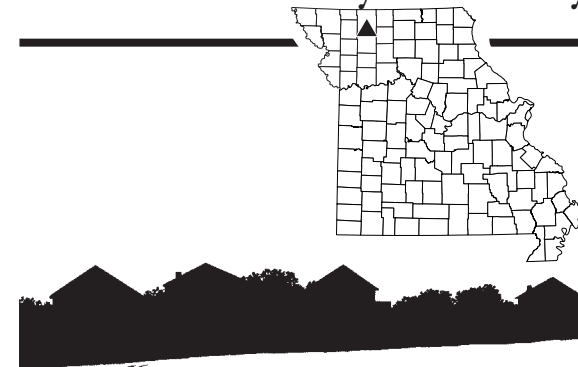
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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special regulations for areas owned by other entities are in Chapter 12 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 12 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (voice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP-4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

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